By Senator Atlee:

Amend by striking out "may," in line 12, and insert in lieu the word "shall."

The bill was then ordered engrossed by the following vote:

Yeas-17.

Lewis Agnew. McComb. Bēall. Rogers. Bowser. Shelburne. Colquitt, Simpson. Crowley. Darwin, Smith. Dibrell, ${
m Tips.}$ Whitaker, Gage.

Greer.

Nays-8. Lawhon. Atlee. Boren. McKinney. Dean, Stafford. Steele. Goss.

Absent—excused.

Dickson. Harrison. Sherrill. Woods.

Absent, not excused.

Bailey.

Presler.

On motion of Senator Goss the vote by which Senate bill No. 48 (see caption above) failed on engrossment was reconsidered, and the bill recommitted to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

On motion of Senator Stafford
House bill No. 99, "An act to take the counties of Smith, Gregg and Upshur out of the Fifth Supreme Judiciaal District, and place the same in the First Supreme Judicial District," was read and referred to Committee on Judicial Districts. On motion of Senator Lawhon the Sen-

ate adjourned to 10 a.m. tomorrow.

TWENTY-FIFTH DAY.

Senate Chamber Austin, Texas, February 5, 1895.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Lieutenant Governor Jester in the

-chair.

Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to names:

Lawhon. Agnew. ${f A}ar{{f t}}$ lee. McComb. McKinney. Beall. Rogers. Boren. Sleabarne. Bowser. Sherrill. Colquitt. Simpson. Crowley. Smith. Darwin. Steele. Dibrell. Tips. Whitakec Dickson. Gage.

Goss.

Absent—excused.

Harrison.

Woods.

Absent—not excused.

Bailey. Lewis. Dean. Presler. Greer. Stationa.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Dr. Smoot. Pending reading of the Journal of yes-

On motion of Senator McComb, the same

was suspended.

On motion of Senator Colquitt, Senator Stafford was excused for non-attendance for today on account of sickness.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Gage:

Petition from citizens of Reeves county

for maintenance of ranger force.

Read and referred to Committee on

Finance.

By Sentor Colquitt.

Memorial from citizens of Navarro county, asking that the age of consent be increased to eighteen years.

Read and referred to Judiciary Com-

mittee No. 2.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, February 4, 1895.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the

 $\mathbf{Senate}:$

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared Substitute Senate bill No. 18, being "An act to validate the authentication and registration of certain instruments of writing,

And find the same correctly engrossed. COLQUITT, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 4, 1895.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared Senate bill No. 115, being "An act to amend articles 735 and 736 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, relating to the punishment for theft,"

And find the same correctly engrossed. COLQUITT, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room

Austin, Texas, February 4, 1895.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the $\mathbf{Senate}:$

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared Senate bill No. 108, being "An act to amend article 1192 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended by an act entitled "An act to amend article 1192 of the Revised Civil Statutes," passed by the regular session of the Twenty-first Legislature, and approved March 6, 1889, relating to filing placed in greating." lating to filing pleadings in vacation,

And find the same correctly engrossed. COLQUITT, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, February 4, 1895.

Hon, Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 111, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend section 1 of an act passed at a regular session of the

Twenty-third Legislature of Texas, approved April 19, 1893, amending section 1 of an act passed by the Twenty-third Legislature of Texas, reorganizing the Fifteenth Judicial District, and defining the time for holding the courts in said Fifteenth Judicial District, and add section 1a,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass. ATLEE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 4, 1895. Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of Senate: Your Committee on Judicial Districts,

to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 94, being a bill to be entitled "An act to prescribe the time for holding the terms of the District court in the Fifty-first Judicial District of the State of Texas."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass. ATLEE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 4, 1895. Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of Senate: Your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

Substitute House bill No. 99, being a bill to be entitled "An act to take the counties of Smith, Gregg, and Upshur out of the Fifth Supreme Judicial District and place the same in the First Supreme Judicial District,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass. ATLEE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 5, 1895.
Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of Senate:
Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to
whom was referred

Senate bill No. 139, being a bill to be entitled "An act to repeal article 4561 of title 93, chapter 1, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, providing that unrecorded brands shall be no evidence of ownership," etc.,

ownership," etc.,

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

SMITH, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 5, 1895.
Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of Senate:
Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to
whom was referred

Senate bill No. 123, entitled "An act to amend article 1011a of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended by an act entitled 'An act to amend articles Nos. do pass.

8—Senate

1002, 1005, 1011, 1012, 1014, 1017, 1019, 1023, 1024, 1025, 1033, 1039, 1043, 1044, 1049, 1050, 1056, 1057, 1058, 1060, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, and to add articles Nos. 1011a, 1011b, 1011c, 1011d, 1011e, and to repeal articles Nos. 1006, 1007, 1008, 1009, 1034, 1035, 1036, 1037, 1038, 1045, 1046, 1048, of the same title of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, and to provide for the transfer of cases pending in the Supreme Court to the Court of Civil Appeals, passed by the special session of the Twenty-second Legislature, approved April 13, 1892, relating to writs of error from the Supreme Court to the Court of Civil Appeals,"

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

SMITH, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 5, 1895.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of Senate: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 79, being a bill to be entitled "An act to to amend section 5 of chapter 15 of the acts of the called session of the Twenty-second Legislature of the State of Texas, defining the appellate jurisdiction of the Courts of Civil Appeals,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass. SMITH, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 5, 1895.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of Senate: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 120, entitled "An act to amend article 1011c of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended by an actentitled 'An act to amend articles 1002, 1005, 1011, 1012, 1014, 1017, 1019, 1023, 1024, 1025, 1033, 1039, 1043, 1044, 1049, 1050 1056, 1057, 1058, 1060 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, and to add articles 1011a, 1011b, 1011c, 1011d, 1011e, and to repeal articles numbers 1006, 1007, 1008, 1009, 1034, 1035, 1036, 1037, 1038, 1045. 1046, 1048, of the same title of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, and to provide for the transfer of cases pending in the Supreme Court to the Court of Civil Appeals, passed by the special session of the Twenty-second Legislature, approved April 13, 1892, relating to writs of error from the Supreme Court to the Courts of Civil Appeals,"

Have had the same under consideration. and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

SMITH, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 5, 1895. Hon. Geo. T. Jester. President of Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to

whom was referred

Senate bill No. 98, being a bill to be entitled "An act providing what shall be the legal effect of deeds or conveyances of real property retaining an express lien for the purchase money or a part thereof,

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, SMITH, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 5, 1895. Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of Senate: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 93, being a bill to be entitled "An act to provide for the appointment and compensation of district court

stenographers.

Have had the same under consideration. and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass. SMITH, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas. February 5, 1895. Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of Senate: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 53, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 5461, chapter 1, title 93, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas.

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it SMITH, Chairman. do not pass.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, February 5, 1895. Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of Senate: Your Committee on Public Lands, to

whom was referred

Senate bill No. 80, being a bill to be entitled "An act to confirm and validate certain surveys of land made by virtue of certificates issued to persons permanently disabled by reason of wounds received while in the service of this State or of the Confederate States,

Have had the same under consideration. and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it GOSS, Chairman. do pass.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 4, 1895. Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of Senate: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 91, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 7, section 75, chapter 122, of the general laws of the State of Texas, being 'An act to provide for a more efficient system of public schools for the State of Texas, etc., ap- | or the seed or roots of any other vegetaproved May 20, 1893.

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

BEALL, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas. February 4, 1895. Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of Senate: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 134, being a bill to be entitled "An act to make it unlawful for firms, corporations, or individuals in this State to require persons seeking employment to agree, as a condition to said employment, that such person shall not belong to or participate in any religious exercises, mutual benefit association, secret or otherwise, that are lawful and formed for mutual protection, and to provide a penalty therefor,

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommenda-

tion that it do not pass.

AGNEW, Chairman.

Committee Room

Austin, Texas, February 4, 1895. Hon. Geo. T. Jester. President of Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to

whom was referred

Senate bill No. 128, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 314, chapter 3, title 9, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, relating to disturbance of the peace,

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommenda-

tion that it do not pass

AGNEW, Chairman.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

House of Representatives. Austin, Texas. February 5, 1895.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of Senate: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the

following bills, to-wit:

House bill No. 173, "An act make it a penal offense for any person in this State to unlawfully sow, scatter, or place on land not his own the seed or roots of Johnson grass or any other vegetation which will make such land unsuitable for the cultivation of cotton or corn or any other grain, or which will make the cultivation of such land in such crops more difficult, or which will impair or diminish the value of such crops as are usually grown thereon, to prescribe the punishment therefor, and to prescribe the procedure in prosecution of such cases.

Engrossed rider to House bill No. 173: "Amend the caption by striking out after the words 'Johnson grass' the following: tion which will make such land unsuitable for the cultivation of cotton or of corn or any other grain, or which will make the cultivation of such crops more difficult, or which will impair or diminish the value of such land for the cultivation of such crops as are usually grown thereon,' and insert in lieu thereof the following: 'Cocoa, Russian thistle or Bermuda grass."

House bill No. 251, "An act to make and constitute the Treasurer of the State of Texas the custodian of all bonds held by the State of Texas, under the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the State of Texas, approved March 24, 1885, and also an act of the Legislature of the State of Texas, approved Feb. 1, 1889, and to define his duties in relation thereto." Passed by two-thirds vote-Ayes 100, nays 0.

I am further directed by the House to inform the Senate of the appointment of the following committees to act on part of the House with like committee on the part of the Senate in considering the adoption of the Revised Civil and Criminal Statutes:

Civil Statutes-Messrs. Turner, Stubbs, McKinney, Ward, Allen of Dallas, Chambers, Sebastian, Turney, Ragsdale.
Criminal Code and Code of Criminal

Procedure-Messrs. Brigance, Graham, Martin of Kinney, Bailey, Bass.

I am further directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following Senate concurrent resolution, to-wit:

"Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, that a joint committee of the two Houses be appointed, consisting of five Senators and ten Representatives, to consider the advisability of redistricting the State into judicial districts, and to make report

thereon at the earliest day practicable."
And that Messrs. Blair, Townsend of Angelina, Moore of Lamar, Andrews, Dashiell, Giddings, Morrison, Plemmons, Monroe and Floyd have been appointed on said committee on part of the House.

Also in compliance with request of the Senate, I hereby return Senate bill No. 42. Respectfully

CHESTER HAILE, Chief Clerk. BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Sherrill (by request):
A bill to be entitled "An act to extend protection to and punish fraud upon foreign and domestic life and casualty insurance companies.

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Colquitt:

A bill to be entitled "An act to provide for the collection of taxes heretofore levied and that may hereafter be levied, making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lowing vote:

lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes since January 1, 1887, which may have been sold to the State, or to any county, city or town, for the tax due thereon and not redeemed; or which may hereafter be sold to the State, or to any county, city or town, to satisfy the lien thereon.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Colquitt:

A bill to be entitled "An act to provide for the adoption and use of a standard form of fire insurance."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Bowser:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms is hereby authorized and instructed to properly place and hang the frame containing the photograph of the Senate of the Twenty-third Legislature.

Adopted.

Call concluded.

Senator Simson asked that Senate bill No. 42 be returned from the House that the same may be corrected. Granted.

Senator Atlee called up

House concurrent resolution No. 11, providing for the suspension of forfeitures of school lands, etc., for and during the present session of the Legislature.

The resolution was read and adopted.

IN SENATE.

House bill No. 147, "An act to amend section 53, chapter 51 of an act entitled 'An act to create a more efficient road system in the counties of Cherokee, Houston, Anderson, Trinity, Franklin, Delta, Harrison, Panola, Upshur, Shelby and Smith and auxiliary thereto; to provide for the appointment of road overseers; to define the powers and jurisdiction of the commissioners courts of said counties with regard thereto; to utilize the labor of defaulting poll tax payers on the public roads of said county, and to provide adequate penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, as passed by the Twenty-third Legislature and approved April 19, 1893, and to add thereto section 57.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

The Chair laid before the Senate Senate bill No. 18, being a bill to be entitled "An act to validate certificates of acknowledgement of deeds and other written instruments relating to real estate taken and certified by the clerks of the district courts of this State between - day of December, 1869, and the 8th

day of August, 1870." Read third time and passed by the fol-

Yeas-17. Gage. Simpson. Agnew. Goss. Smith. Atlee. Boren. Lawhon. Steele. Tips. McComb. Crowley. McKinney. Whitaker. Dibrell.

Dickson. Rogers.

Nays-4.

Beall. Colquitt. Darwin. Sherrill.

Absent—excused.

Woods. Harrison. Stafford.

Absent—not excused.

Greer. Bailey. Presler. Bowser. Lewis. Shelburne. Dean.

The Chair laid before the Senate Senate bill No. 108, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 1192 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended by chapter 11 of the acts of the

Twenty-first Legislature."
Bill read third time and passed. The Chair laid before the Senate

Senate bill No. 115, to be entitled "An act to amend articles 735 and 736 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, relating to the punishment for theft."

Bill read third time and passed by the

following vote:

Yeas—15.

Darwin. Shelburne. Agnew. Dibrell. Beall. Simpson. Bowser. Gage. Smith. McComb. Colquitt. Tips. Crowley. Rogers. Whitaker.

Nays-8.

Goss. Atlee. Sherrill. Boren. Lawhon. Steele.

Dickson. McKinney.

Absent-excused.

Harrison. Stafford. Woods.

Absent—not excused.

Presler.

Greer. Bailey. Lewis. Dean.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The Chair laid before the Senate

Senate bill No. 89, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend articles 483, 484, and 485 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas, prescribing the manner in which citations shall be served upon witnesses disobeying subpænas in criminal cases, the character of judgment that may be rendered in such cases, and providing for the collection of same."

Bill read second time and ordered en-

grossed.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

(Senator Atlee in the chair.) The Chair laid before the Senate

Senate bill No. 12, being a bill to be entitled "An act making it a penal offense"

for a minor to wilfully or knowingly enterand remain in any place where spirituous. vinous, or malt liquors or medicated bitters capable of producing intoxication are sold to be drunk on the premises, or to wilfully or knowingly take, receive or drink any such liquors or bitters in such place, and to prescribe a penalty therefor."

Bill read second time. By Senator Simpson:

Amend section 1, line 4, by adding after "State" the words "without the consent of his parents or guardian."

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—14.

Dibrell. Beall. Smith. Bowser. Dickson. Steele. Colquitt. Goss. Tips. Crowley. Shelburne. Whitaker.

Darwin. Simpson.

Navs-9. Gage. Agnew. McKinney. Atlee. Lawhon. Rogers. Boren. McComb. Sherrill.

Absent—excused.

Woods. Harrison. Stafford.

Absent-not excused.

Greer. Bailey. Presler. Dean. Lewis.

By Senator Agnew:

Amend by striking out the caption and insert the following as the caption, viz.: "A bill to be entitled an act to certainly prevent prosecutions on the bonds of liquor dealers and to harrass the parents of minors."

Lieut. Gov. Jester in the chair.)

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas-16.

Goss. Agnew. Boren. McKinney. Colquitt. Shelburne. Crowley. Sherrill. Darwin. Simpson. Dibrell. Smith. Dickson. Steele. Whitaker. Gage.

Nays-7. McComb. Atlee. Beall. Rogers. Bowser. Tips.

Lawhon.

Absent—excused. Woods.

Harrison. Stafford.

Absent—not excused.

Bailey. Lewis. Dean. Presler.

Greer.

By Senator Sherrill:

Amend by changing the condition in the bonds of liquor dealers so as to make it conform to this bill as amended.

Senator Simpson entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which Senator Agnew's amendment was adopted, and asked that same be spread upon the Journal.

Senator Steele called up Senator Simpson's motion to reconsider the vote by which Senator Agnew's amendment was adopted, and moved to table the motion. Lost by the following vote:

Yeas-11.

| Agnew. | Shelburne. |
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| Boren. | Sherrill. |
| Colquitt. | Smith. |
| Dibrell. | Steele. |
| Goss. | Whitaker. |
| McKinney | |

Nays—12.

| Gage. |
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| Lawhon. |
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| Logers. |
| Simpson. |
| ${ m Tips.}$ |
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Absent—excused.

Harrison. Stanord.

Woods.

Absent, not excused.

Bailey. Lewis. I'resler. Dean. Greer.

Senator Atlee moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Thursday morning after call. Senator Smith moved to substitute that

the consideration of the bill be postponed indefinitely.

Adopted.

The Chair laid before the Senate, Senate bill No. 51, being a bill to be en-

titled "An act to amend articles 798 and 799, of chapter 18, title 17, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas."

Action being on the amendment offered by Senator Dean, towit: "Amend the caption by inserting in the first line thereof after the word 'and,' the following: 'To repeal article.'"

By Senator McComb: Amend by striking out "779," in line 15, and inserting in lieu thereof "799" in the printed bill.

Adopted.

Lost.

The bill was then ordered engrossed. The Chair laid before the Senate,

Senate bill No. 58, being a bill to be entitled "An act regulating the mode for preventing certain animals from running at large in counties and sub-divisions, passed August 15, 1876, by adding thereto article 45921/2, providing for an election after two years to determine whether hogs, sheep or goats shall be permitted to run at large."

Bill read second time.

By Senator Tips: Amend article 4592½ by adding in line 7 after the word limits the words "nor any portion thereof."

Senator Smith moved to lay the bill and pending amendments on the table subject to call.

Senator Steele moved as a substitute to indefinitely postpone.

Postponed by the following vote:

Yeas-13.

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| Agnew. | Rogers. |
| Atlee. | Shelburne. |
| Boren. | Sherrill. |
| Bowser. | Simpson. |
| Dickson. | Steele. |
| Hoss. | Whitaker. |
| McComb. | |
| | |

Navs-10.

| Beall. | Gage. |
|-----------|-----------|
| Colquitt. | Lawhon. |
| Crowley. | McKinney. |
| Darwin. | Smith. |
| Dibrell. | Tips. |
| | |

Absent-excused.

Harrison. Stafford.

Woods.

Absent—not excused.

Bailey. Lewis. Dean. Presler. Greer.

The Chair laid before the Senate Senate bill No. 60, being a bill to be entitled "An act to make the possession of cattle, horses or mules having thereon burnt brands unlawful, and to empower the sheriff and inspector of hides and animals to sequestrate the same, and to provide for the foreclosure in case of seizure."

Bill read second time and

On motion of Senator Gage was made special order for next Thursday at 11

The Chair laid before the Senate

Senate bill No. 67, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 378 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, and to better enforce the local option laws of the State of Texas.

On motion of Senator Colquitt the bill was laid on the table subject to call.

The Chair laid before the Senate

Senate bill No. 69, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article No. 3229 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, and to better enforce the local option laws of the State of Texas.

Bill read second time and

On motion of Senator Colquitt was laid on the table subject to call.

The Chair laid before the Senate

Senate bill No. 70, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend section 4241 of chapter 10 of title 84 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, relating to the construction of cattle guards by rail-road companies."

Bill read second time and ordered en-

grossed.

The Chair anounced that the hour set for executive sesion had arrived, and the Senate accordingly went into executive session.

AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION.

In executive session the following con-

firmations were had:

Managers of North Texas Asylum—J. S. Grinnan, George E. Kelley, A. H. Ables, W. A. Brooks of Kaufman county; W. T. Foster of Van Zandt county.

Foster of Van Zandt county.

Trustees of Deaf, Dumb and Blind
Asylum for Colored Youths at Austin—
Hugh L. Davis, E. A. Todd of Travis

county.

On motion of Senator Goss, Senator Sherrill was added to the Committee on Public Lands.

On motion of Senator Boren the Senate adjourned to 10 a.m. tomorrow.

TWENTY-SIXTH DAY.

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, Feb. 6, 1895.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Lieutenant Governor Jester in the Chair.

Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to their

names:

Agnew. Greer. Atlee. Lewis. Bailey. McComb. Beall. McKinney. Boren. Rogers. Bowser. Shelburne. Colquitt. Sherrill. Crowley. Simpson. Darwin Smith. Stafford. Dean. Dibrell. Steele. Dickson. Tips, Whitaker. Gage. Goss.

Absent, excused.

Harrison.

Woods.

Absent, not excused.

Lawhon.

Presler.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Dr. Smoot. Pending reading of the Journal of yesterday,

On motion of Senator Whitaker, the

same was suspended.

On motion of Senator Atlee, Senator Dean was excused from attendance on yesterday, on account of important business

On motion of Senator Bowser, Senator Bailey was excused for Monday and Tuesday.

On motion of Senator Rogers, Senator Greer was excused for yesterday on account of important business.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Atlee:

Memorial from citizens of Duval county against the decrease of the ranger force.

Read and referred to Committee on Fi-

nance.

By Senator Dibrell:

A petition from colored citizens of Cald-

well county, praying for the establishment of a colored University, etc.

Read and referred to Committee on Education.

By Senator Tips:

Two petitions from teachers of Williamson county, concerning teachers' salaries,

Read and referred to Committee on

Finance.

By Senator Stafford:

Petition from mothers of the State of Texas and town of Tyler, asking that the age of consent be raised to 18 years.

Read and referred to Judiciary Com-

mittee No. 1.

By Senator Steele:

l'etitions from mothers of "Mexia," asking that the age of consent be raised to 18 years.

Read and referred to Judiciary Com-

mittee No. 1.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 6, 1895.
Hon. George T. Jester, President of the
Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to

whom was referred

Senate bill No. 86, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 1829 of chapter 4, title 37, Revised Statutes of Texas, with reference to the time of closing administration on estates of deceased persons, by adding thereto no suit against the sureties on the bond of such administrator or executor shall be maintained unless proceeding to compel settlement was begun by the parties interested within four years after the estate was in a condition to be closed, and providing that persons who were under legal disability when the right to compel settlement accrued shall have four years within which to institute such a proceeding after their disabilities have been removed,"

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommen-

dation that it do not pass. SMITH,

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 6, 1895.
Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Chairman.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to-

whom was referred

House bill No. 155, a bill to be entitled "An act to restore and confer upon the county court of Gregg county the civil and criminal jurisdiction heretofore belonging to said court under the Constitution and general statutes of Texas, to define the jurisdiction of said court, to conform the jurisdiction of the District Court of said county to such change, to fix the time of holding court, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this act,"

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report the sameback to the Senate with the recommen-

dation that it do pass.

SMITH, Chairman.